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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
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**TRANSMITTAL**

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is a Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Applicant respectfully requests a **one-month** extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 29, 2007 for which a three-month response period, expiring on November 29, 2007, was set. The one-month extended period for response expires on December 29, 2007. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) **one-month extension fee of \$120.00**, and any additional fees that may be required, to **Deposit Account No. 11-0600**.

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In response to the Final Office Action of August 29, 2007, please  
reconsider the above-captioned application as follows.

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